

# **SBA's 2008 Small Business Week Winners**

***Region II Winners*** (Includes New York State, New Jersey and Puerto Rico)

## **Small Business Journalist Champion**

G. Jeffrey Aaron, editorial business writer

Elmira Star Gazette

*Nominated by SBA Elmira Branch Office*

## **Veteran Small Business Champion**

Patrick MacKrell, president and CEO

New York Business Development Corporation, Albany

*Nominated by NYS SBDC*

## ***Syracuse District Winners***

*(includes 34 counties in upstate New York)*

## **Small Business Person of the Year**

Harold W. Hance, owner/managing partner

Mountain Valley Teleservices, LLC, Plattsburgh

*Nominated by NYS SBDC Plattsburgh*

## **Small Business Exporter of the Year**

John Aspland, president

Adirondack Plastics & Recycling, Inc., Argyle

*Nominated by Glens Falls National Bank*

## **Young Entrepreneur of the Year**

Lucas Manning, owner

The Partridge Café, Canton

*Nominated by NYS SBDC Canton*

## **Financial Services Champion**

Diane W. Lantz, executive director

REDEC, Corning

*Nominated by NYS SBDC Corning*

## **Minority Business Champion**

Craig E. Watters, PhD, assistant professor of entrepreneurial practice

Syracuse University

*Nominated by Syracuse SCORE Chapter # 98*

## **Women in Business Champion**

Nola N. Miyasaki, executive director

Syracuse University Falcone Center for Entrepreneurship

*Nominated by the WISE Center*